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# U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

#### **Cooperative Agreement**

RECIPIENT TYPE:

State Institution of Higher Learning

RECIPIENT:

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**EIN:** 74-6001430

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#### PROJECT TITLE AND DESCRIPTION

**Environmental Crimes Program Training** 

The first work product that will be developed in the year one of the project will be a complete long distance/web-based Basic Environmental Crime Training long distance education curriculum that will be based on the initial assessment of training needs. In summary, the proposed on-line Basic and Advanced classroom/hands-on and on-line training and the Environmental Enforcement web site in combination with the hands-on courses at the new HPD facility will provide the most comprehensive capability to train environmental enforcement personnel in the nation.

BUDGET PERIOD	PROJECT PERIOD	TOTAL BUDGET PERIOD COST	TOTAL PROJECT PERIOD COST
10/01/2012 - 09/30/2015	10/01/2012 - 09/30/2015	\$1,014,425.00	\$1,014,425.00

#### **NOTICE OF AWARD**

Based on your Application dated 06/08/2012 including all modifications and amendments, the United States acting by and through the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby awards \$300,000. EPA agrees to cost-share 89.00% of all approved budget period costs incurred, up to and not exceeding total federal funding of \$300,000. Recipient's signature is not required on this agreement. The recipient demonstrates its commitment to carry out this award by either: 1) drawing down funds within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date; or 2) not filling a notice of disagreement with the award terms and conditions within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. If the recipient disagrees with the terms and conditions specified in this award, the authorized representative of the recipient must furnish a notice of disagreement to the EPA Award Official within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. In case of disagreement, and until the disagreement is resolved, the recipient should not draw down on the funds provided by this award/amendment, and any costs incurred by the recipient are at its own risk. This agreement is subject to applicable EPA statutory provisions. The applicable regulatory provisions are 40 CFR Chapter 1, Subchapter B, and all terms and conditions of this agreement and any attachments.

ISSUING OFFICE (GRANTS MANAGEMENT OFFICE)	AWARD APPROVAL OFFICE
ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS	ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS
Grants and Interagency Agreement Management Division 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Mail code 3903R Washington, DC 20460	Environmental Protection Agency Office of Enforcement & Compliance Assurance 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Washington, DC 20460

#### THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Digital signature applied by EPA Award Official for Jill D. Young - Chief - Grants Management Branch A

Gary Carrozza - Award Official delegate

**DATE** 01/16/2013

# **EPA Funding Information**

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FUNDS	FORMER AWARD	THIS ACTION	AMENDED TOTAL
EPA Amount This Action	\$	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000
EPA In-Kind Amount	\$	\$	\$ 0
Unexpended Prior Year Balance	\$	\$	\$ 0
Other Federal Funds	\$	\$	\$ 0
Recipient Contribution	\$	\$ 39,128	\$ 39,128
State Contribution	\$	\$	\$ 0
Local Contribution	\$	\$	\$ 0
Other Contribution	\$	\$	\$ 0
Allowable Project Cost	\$0	\$ 339,128	\$ 339,128

Assistance Program (CFDA)	Statutory Authority	Regulatory Authority
F	Clean Water Act: Sec. 104(b)(3) Safe Drinking Water Act: Sec. 1442(b) CERCLA: Sec. 311(a)(b)(c) FIFRA: Sec. 20(a) Solid Waste Disposal Act: Sec. 8001(c)(1) Clean Air Act: Sec. 103(b)(3) Toxic Substances Control Act: Sec. 10(a)	40 CFR PTS 30 & 45

	Fiscal								
Site Name	Req No	FY	Approp. Code	Budget Organization	PRC	Object Class	Site/Project	Cost Organization	
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**Budget Summary Page** 

Table A - Object Class Category (Non-construction)	Total Approved Allowable Budget Period Cost
1. Personnel	\$419,653
2. Fringe Benefits	\$126,590
3. Travel	\$62,154
4. Equipment	\$0
5. Supplies	\$9,000
6. Contractual	\$183,000
7. Construction	\$0
8. Other	\$0
9. Total Direct Charges	\$800,397
10. Indirect Costs: 31.50% Base MTDC	\$214,028
11. Total (Share: Recipient 11.00 % Federal 89.00 %.)	\$1,014,425
12. Total Approved Assistance Amount	\$893,483
13. Program Income	\$0
14. Total EPA Amount Awarded This Action	\$300,000
15. Total EPA Amount Awarded To Date	\$300,000

### **Administrative Conditions**

- 1. In accordance with Section 2(d) of the Prompt Payment Act (P.L. 97-177), Federal funds may not be used by the recipient for the payment of interest penalties to contractors when bills are paid late nor may interest penalties be used to satisfy cost sharing requirements. Obligations to pay such interest penalties will not be obligations of the United States.
- 2. The recipient understands that none of the funds for this project (including funds contributed by the recipient as cost sharing) may be used to pay for the travel of Federal employees or for other costs associated with Federal participation in this project. Except however, if a Federal agency is selected through the recipient's procurement process to carry out some of the work as a contractor to the recipient, funds may be used to allow necessary Federal travel and other costs associated with Federal participation in this project.

#### 3. UTILIZATION OF SMALL, MINORITY AND WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES

#### GENERAL COMPLIANCE, 40 CFR, Part 33

The recipient agrees to comply with the requirements of EPA's Program for Utilization of Small, Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (MBE/WBE) in procurement under assistance agreements, contained in 40 CFR, Part 33.

#### FAIR SHARE OBJECTIVES, 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart D

A recipient must negotiate with the appropriate EPA award official, or his/her designee, fair share objectives for MBE and WBE participation in procurement under the financial assistance agreements.

#### Current Fair Share Objective /Goal

The dollar amount of this assistance agreement is \$250,000, or more; or the total dollar amount of all of the recipient's non-TAG assistance agreements from EPA in the current fiscal year is \$250,000, or more. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has negotiated the following, applicable MBE/WBE fair share objectives/goals with EPA as follows:

	MBE	WBE
Construction	7.34%	10.60%
Supplies	19.37%	14.15%
Services	12.98%	23.70%
Equipment	19.57%	19.64%

#### Negotiating Fair Share Objectives /Goals, 40 CFR, Section 33.404

If the recipient has not yet negotiated its MBE/WBE fair share objectives/goals, the recipient agrees to submit proposed MBE/WBE objectives/goals based on an availability analysis, or disparity study, of qualified MBEs and WBEs in their relevant geographic buying market for construction, services, supplies and equipment.

The recipient agrees to submit proposed fair share objectives/goals, together with the supporting availability analysis or disparity study, to the Regional MBE/WBE Coordinator within 120 days of its acceptance of the financial assistance award. EPA will respond to the proposed fair share objective/goals within 30 days of receiving the submission. If proposed fair share objective/goals are not received within the 120 day time frame, the recipient may not expend its EPA funds for procurements until the proposed fair share objective/goals are submitted.

#### SIX GOOD FAITH EFFORTS, 40 CFR, Part 33, Subpart C

Pursuant to 40 CFR, Section 33.301, the recipient agrees to make the following good faith efforts

whenever procuring construction, equipment, services and supplies under an EPA financial assistance agreement, and to ensure that sub-recipients, loan recipients, and prime contractors also comply. Records documenting compliance with the six good faith efforts shall be retained:

- (a) Ensure DBEs are made aware of contracting opportunities to the fullest extent practicable through outreach and recruitment activities. For Indian Tribal, State and Local and Government recipients, this will include placing DBEs on solicitation lists and soliciting them whenever they are potential sources.
- (b) Make information on forthcoming opportunities available to DBEs and arrange time frames for contracts and establish delivery schedules, where the requirements permit, in a way that encourages and facilitates participation by DBEs in the competitive process. This includes, whenever possible, posting solicitations for bids or proposals for a minimum of 30 calendar days before the bid or proposal closing date.
- (c) Consider in the contracting process whether firms competing for large contracts could subcontract with DBEs. For Indian Tribal, State and local Government recipients, this will include dividing total requirements when economically feasible into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by DBEs in the competitive process.
- (d) Encourage contracting with a consortium of DBEs when a contract is too large for one of these firms to handle individually.
- (e) Use the services and assistance of the SBA and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.
- (f) If the prime contractor awards subcontracts, require the prime contractor to take the steps in paragraphs (a) through (e) of this section.

#### MBE/WBE REPORTING, 40 CFR, Part 33, Sections 33.502 and 55.503

The recipient agrees to complete and submit EPA Form 5700-52A, "MBE/WBE Utilization Under Federal Grants, Cooperative Agreements and Interagency Agreements" beginning with the Federal fiscal year reporting period the recipient receives the award, and continuing until the project is completed. Only procurements with certified MBE/WBEs are counted toward a recipient's MBE/WBE accomplishments. The reports must be submitted annually for the period ending September 30th for:

40 CFR Part 30 Recipients (Non-profits and Institutions of Higher Education); and 40 CFR Part 35 Subpart A and Subpart B Recipients.

The reports are due within 30 days of the end of the annual reporting period (October 30th). Reports should be sent to Al Demarcki , U.S. Environmental Protection Agency , 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue , NW Mail Code 3903R, Room 51225, Washington , DC 20460 , 202-564-5209. Final MBE/WBE reports must be submitted within 90 days after the project period of the grant ends. Your grant cannot be officially closed without all MBE/WBE reports.

EPA Form 5700-52A may be obtained from the EPA Office of Small Business Program's Home Page on the Internet at www.epa.gov/osbp .

#### CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION PROVISIONS, 40 CFR, Section 33.302

The recipient agrees to comply with the contract administration provisions of 40 CFR, Section 33.302.

#### BIDDERS LIST, 40 CFR, Section 33.501(b) and (c)

Recipients of a Continuing Environmental Program Grant or other annual reporting grant, agree to create and maintain a bidders list. Recipients of an EPA financial assistance agreement to capitalize a revolving loan fund also agree to require entities receiving identified loans to create and maintain a bidders list if the recipient of the loan is subject to, or chooses to follow, competitive bidding requirements. Please see 40 CFR, Section 33.501 (b) and (c) for specific requirements and exemptions.

4. In accordance with EPA regulations (40 C.F.R. 31.40 for State, local and tribal governments; 40 C.F.R. 30.51 for other recipients), the recipient agrees to submit quarterly progress reports to the EPA Project Officer within thirty days after each reporting period. These reports shall cover work status, work

progress, difficulties encountered, preliminary data results and a statement of activity anticipated during the subsequent reporting period, including a description of equipment, techniques, and materials to be used or evaluated. A discussion of expenditures along with a comparison of the percentage of the project completed to the project schedule and an explanation of significant discrepancies shall be included in the report. The report shall also include any changes of key personnel concerned with the project.

In addition, the report shall include brief information on each of the following areas: 1) a comparison of actual accomplishments with the anticipated outputs/outcomes specified in the assistance agreement work plan; 2) reasons why anticipated outputs/outcomes were not met; and 3) other pertinent information, including, when appropriate, analysis and explanation of cost overruns or high unit costs. The recipient agrees that it will notify EPA of problems, delays, or adverse conditions which materially impair the ability to meet the outputs/outcomes specified in the assistance agreement work plan.

- 5. In accordance with EPA regulations (40 C.F.R. 31.40 for State, local and tribal governments; 40 C.F.R. 30.51 for other recipients), the recipient agrees to submit to the EPA Project Officer within 90 days after the expiration or termination of the approved project period a final report and at least one reproducible copy suitable for printing. The final report shall document project activities over the entire project period and shall include brief information on each of the following areas: 1) a comparison of actual accomplishments with the anticipated outputs/outcomes specified in the assistance agreement work plan; 2) reasons why anticipated outputs/outcomes were not met; and 3) other pertinent information, including, when appropriate, analysis and explanation of cost overruns or high unit costs. The recipient agrees that it will notify EPA of problems, delays, or adverse conditions which materially impair the ability to meet the outputs/outcomes specified in the assistance agreement work plan.
- 6. Pursuant to 40 CFR 30.52(a)(1) and 30.71(a), EPA recipients shall submit a final Federal Financial Report (SF-425) to EPA no later than 90 calendar days after the end of the project period. The form is available on the internet at <a href="http://www.epa.gov/ocfo/finservices/forms.htm">http://www.epa.gov/ocfo/finservices/forms.htm</a>. All FFRs must be submitted to the Las Vegas Finance Center: US EPA, LVFC, 4220 S. Maryland Pkwy, Bldg C, Rm. 503, Las Vegas, NV 89119, or by Fax to: 702-798-2423.

The LVFC will make adjustments, as necessary, to obligated funds after reviewing and accepting a final Federal Financial Report. Recipients will be notified and instructed by EPA if they must complete any additional forms for the close-out of the assistance agreement.

EPA may take enforcement actions in accordance with 40 CFR 30.62 if the recipient does not comply with this term and condition.

- 7. EPA is partially funding this budget period and will consider funding the balance of the budget request contingent upon satisfactory progress as certified by the EPA Project Officer, the availability of funds, and EPA priorities. It is understood that the scope of work will be renegotiated to reflect the amount awarded if additional funds are not available.
- 8. Payment to consultants. EPA participation in the salary rate (excluding overhead) paid to individual consultants retained by recipients or by a recipient's contractors or subcontractors shall be limited to the maximum daily rate for a Level IV of the Executive Schedule (formerly GS-18), to be adjusted annually. This limit applies to consultation services of designated individuals with specialized skills who are paid at a daily or hourly rate. As of January 1, 2012, the limit is \$596.00 per day and \$74.50 per hour. This rate does not include transportation and subsistence costs for travel performed (the recipient will pay these in accordance with their normal travel reimbursement practices).

Contracts with firms for services which are awarded using the procurement requirements in 40 CFR 30 or 31, as applicable, are not affected by this limitation unless the terms of the contract provide the recipient with responsibility for the selection, direction, and control of the individuals who will be providing services

under the contract at an hourly or daily rate of compensation. See 40 CFR 31.36(j) or 30.27(b).

#### 9. HOTEL-MOTEL FIRE SAFETY

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Pursuant to 40 CFR 30.18, if applicable, and 15 USC 2225a, the recipient agrees to ensure that all space for conferences, meetings, conventions, or training seminars funded in whole or in part with federal funds complies with the protection and control guidelines of the Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Act (PL 101-391, as amended). Recipients may search the Hotel-Motel National Master List at <a href="http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/applications/hotel/">http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/applications/hotel/</a> to see if a property is in compliance (FEMA ID is currently not required), or to find other information about the Act.

- 10. The chief executive officer of this recipient agency shall ensure that no grant funds awarded under this assistance agreement are used to engage in lobbying of the Federal Government or in litigation against the United States unless authorized under existing law. The recipient shall abide by its respective OMB Circular (A-21, A-87, or A-122), which prohibits the use of federal grant funds for litigation against the United States or for lobbying or other political activities.
- 11. In accordance with 40 CFR Part 30.25(f), the EPA Award Official approves pre-award costs incurred more than 90 days prior to award as specified in your application dated 06/08/2012.
- 12. I. Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation.
  - a. Reporting of first-tier subawards.
  - 1. <u>Applicability</u>. Unless you are exempt as provided in paragraph d. of this award term, you must report each action that obligates \$25,000 or more in Federal funds that does not include Recovery funds (as defined in section 1512(a)(2) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Pub. L. 111-5) for a subaward to an entity (see definitions in paragraph e of this award term).
    - 2. Where and when to report.
  - i. You must report each obligating action described in paragraph a.1. of this award term to <a href="www.fsrs.gov">www.fsrs.gov</a>.
  - ii.For subaward information, report no later than the end of the month following the month in which the obligation was made. (For example, if the obligation was made on November 7, 2010, the obligation must be reported by no later than December 31, 2010.)
  - 3. What to report. You must report the information about each obligating action that the submission instructions posted at www.fsrs.gov specify.
    - b. Reporting Total Compensation of Recipient Executives.
  - 1. Applicability and what to report. You must report total compensation for each of your five most highly compensated executives for the preceding completed fiscal year, if -
    - i.the total Federal funding authorized to date under this award is \$25,000 or
      - ii. in the preceding fiscal year, you received-
  - (A) 80 percent or more of your annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts) and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act, as defined at 2 CFR 170.320 (and subawards); and
  - (B) \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts) and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act, as defined at 2 CFR 170.320 (and subawards); and

iii. The public does not have access to information about the compensation of the executives through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. (To determine if the public has access to the compensation information, see the U.S. Security and Exchange Commission total compensation filings at http://www.sec.gov/answers/execomp.htm.)

- 2. Where and when to report. You must report executive total compensation described in paragraph b.1. of this award term:
- i. As part of your registration Central Contractor Registration/System for Award Management profile available at www.sam.gov.
- ii. By the end of the month following the month in which this award is made, and annually thereafter.

#### c. Reporting of Total Compensation of Subrecipient Executives.

- 1. Applicability and what to report. Unless you are exempt as provided in paragraph d. of this award term, for each first-tier subrecipient under this award, you shall report the names and total compensation of each of the subrecipient's five most highly compensated executives for the subrecipient's preceding completed fiscal year, if -
  - i. in the subrecipient's preceding fiscal year, the subrecipient received-
- (A) 80 percent or more of its annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts) and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act, as defined at 2 CFR 170.320 (and subawards); and
- (B) \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts), and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act (and subawards); and
- ii. The public does not have access to information about the compensation of the executives through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. (To determine if the public has access to the compensation information, see the U.S. Security and Exchange Commission total compensation filings at http://www.sec.gov/answers/execomp.htm.)
- 2. Where and when to report. You must report subrecipient executive total compensation described in paragraph c.1. of this award term:
  - i. To the recipient.
- ii. By the end of the month following the month during which you make the subaward. For example, if a subaward is obligated on any date during the month of October of a given year (i.e., between October 1 and 31), you must report any required compensation information of the subrecipient by November 30 of that year.

#### d. Exemptions

If, in the previous tax year, you had gross income, from all sources, under \$300,000, you are exempt from the requirements to report:

- i. subawards,
  - and
- ii. the total compensation of the five most highly compensated executives of any subrecipient.
- e.Definitions. For purposes of this award term:
  - 1. Entity means all of the following, as defined in 2 CFR part 25:
    - i. A Governmental organization, which is a State, local government, or
- Indian tribe;
- ii. A foreign public entity;
- iii. A domestic or foreign nonprofit organization;
- iv. A domestic or foreign for-profit organization;
- v. A Federal agency, but only as a subrecipient under an award or

subaward to a non-Federal entity.

2. <u>Executive</u> means officers, managing partners, or any other employees in management positions.

#### 3. Subaward:

- i. This term means a legal instrument to provide support for the performance of any portion of the substantive project or program for which you received this award and that you as the recipient award to an eligible subrecipient.
- ii. The term does not include your procurement of property and services needed to carry out the project or program (for further explanation, see Sec. --.210 of the attachment to OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations").
- iii. A subaward may be provided through any legal agreement, including an agreement that you or a subrecipient considers a contract.
  - 4. Subrecipient means an entity that:
    - i. Receives a subaward from you (the recipient) under this award; and
    - ii. Is accountable to you for the use of the Federal funds provided by the

subaward.

- 5. <u>Total compensation</u> means the cash and noncash dollar value earned by the executive during the recipient's or subrecipient's preceding fiscal year and includes the following (for more information see 17 CFR 229.402(c)(2)):
  - i. Salary and bonus.
  - ii. Awards of stock, stock options, and stock appreciation rights. Use the dollar amount recognized for financial statement reporting purposes with respect to the fiscal year in accordance with the Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 (Revised 2004) (FAS 123R), Shared Based Payments.
  - iii. Earnings for services under non-equity incentive plans. This does not include group life, health, hospitalization or medical reimbursement plans that do not discriminate in favor of executives, and are available generally to all salaried employees.
  - iv. *Change in pension value.* This is the change in present value of defined benefit and actuarial pension plans.
  - v. Above-market earnings on deferred compensation which is not tax-qualified.
  - vi. Other compensation, if the aggregate value of all such other compensation (e.g. severance, termination payments, value of life insurance paid on behalf of the employee, perquisites or property) for the executive exceeds \$10,000.
- 13. I. <u>Central Contractor Registration/System for Award Management and Universal Identifier Requirements</u>.
  - A. Requirement for Central Contractor Registration (CCR)/System for Award Management (SAM). Unless you are exempted from this requirement under 2 CFR 25.110, you as the recipient must maintain the currency of your information in the SAM until you submit the final financial report required under this award or receive the final payment, whichever is later. This requires that you review and update the information at least annually after the initial registration, and more frequently if required by changes in your information or another award term.
  - B. Requirement for Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) numbers. If you are authorized to make subawards under this award, you:

- 1. Must notify potential subrecipients that no entity (see definition in paragraph C of this award term) may receive a subaward from you unless the entity has provided its DUNS number to you.
- 2. May not make a subaward to an entity unless the entity has provided its DUNS number to you.
- C. Definitions. For purposes of this award term:
- 1. <u>Central Contractor Registration (CCR)/System for Award Management (SAM)</u> means the Federal repository into which an entity must provide information required for the conduct of business as a recipient. Additional information about registration procedures may be found at the System for Award Management (SAM) Internet site http://www.sam.gov.
- 2. <u>Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number</u> means the nine-digit number established and assigned by Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (D&B) to uniquely identify business entities. A DUNS number may be obtained from D&B by telephone (currently 866-705-5711) or the Internet (currently at <a href="http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform">http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform</a>).
- 3. Entity, as it is used in this award term, means all of the following, as defined at 2 CFR part 25, subpart C:
- a. A Governmental organization, which is a State, local government, or Indian tribe;
  - b. A foreign public entity;
  - c. A domestic or foreign nonprofit organization;
  - d. A domestic or foreign for-profit organization; and
- e. A Federal agency, but only as a subrecipient under an award or subaward to a non-Federal entity.

#### 4. Subaward:

- a. This term means a legal instrument to provide support for the performance of any portion of the substantive project or program for which you received this award and that you as the recipient award to an eligible subrecipient.
- b. The term does not include your procurement of property and services needed to carry out the project or program (for further explanation, see Sec. --.210 of the attachment to OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations").
- c. A subaward may be provided through any legal agreement, including an agreement that you consider a contract.
  - 5. Subrecipient means an entity that:
    - a. Receives a subaward from you under this award; and
- b. Is accountable to you for the use of the Federal funds provided by the subaward.
- 14. In accordance with 40 CFR 30.24(b)(1), program income will be added to funds committed to the project by EPA and used to further eligible project or program objectives.
- 15. In accordance with 40 CFR 31.34 for State, local and Indian Tribal governments or 40 CFR 30.36 for other recipients, EPA has the right to reproduce, publish, use, and authorize others to use copyrighted works or other data developed under this assistance agreement for Federal purposes.

Examples of a Federal purpose include but are not limited to: (1) Use by EPA and other Federal employees for official Government purposes; (2) Use by Federal contractors performing specific tasks

for the Government; (3) Publication in EPA documents provided the document does not disclose trade secrets (e.g. software codes) and the work is properly attributed to the recipient through citation or otherwise; (4) Reproduction of documents for inclusion in Federal depositories; (5) Use by State, tribal and local governments that carry out delegated Federal environmental programs as "co—regulators" or act as official partners with EPA to carry out a national environmental program within their jurisdiction and; (6) Limited use by other grantees to carry out Federal grants provided the use is consistent with the terms of EPA's authorization to the other grantee to use the copyrighted works or other data.

Under Item 6, the grantee acknowledges that EPA may authorize another grantee(s) to use the copyrighted works or other data developed under this grant as a result of:

- a. the selection of another grantee by EPA to perform a project that will involve the use of the copyrighted works or other data or:
- b. termination or expiration of this agreement.

In addition, EPA may authorize another grantee to use copyrighted works or other data developed with Agency funds provided under this grant to perform another grant when such use promotes efficient and effective use of Federal grant funds.

16. Recycling Nonprofits, Universities and Hospitals: In accordance with 40 CFR 30.16, the recipient agrees to use recycled paper and double sided printing for all reports which are prepared as a part of this agreement and delivered to EPA. This requirement does not apply to reports prepared on forms supplied by EPA, or to Standard Forms, which are printed on recycled paper and are available through the General Services Administration.

Pursuant to 40 CFR 30.16, State and local institutions of higher education, hospitals, and non-profit organizations that receive direct Federal funds shall give preference in their procurement programs funded with Federal funds to the purchase of recycled products pursuant to EPA's guidelines.

17. Recipients shall fully comply with Subpart C of 2 CFR Part 180 entitled, "Responsibilities of Participants Regarding Transactions Doing Business With Other Persons," as implemented and supplemented by 2 CFR Part 1532. Recipient is responsible for ensuring that any lower tier covered transaction, as described in Subpart B of 2 CFR Part 180, entitled "Covered Transactions," includes a term or condition requiring compliance with Subpart C. Recipient is responsible for further requiring the inclusion of a similar term or condition in any subsequent lower tier covered transactions. Recipient acknowledges that failing to disclose the information required under 2 CFR 180.335 may result in the delay or negation of this assistance agreement, or pursuance of legal remedies, including suspension and debarment.

Recipients may access suspension and debarment information at <a href="http://www.sam.gov">http://www.sam.gov</a>. This system allows recipients to perform searches determining whether an entity or individual is excluded from receiving Federal assistance. This term and condition supersedes EPA Form 5700-49, "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters."

18. The recipient organization of this EPA assistance agreement must make an ongoing, good faith effort to maintain a drug-free workplace pursuant to the specific requirements set forth in Title 2 CFR Part 1536 Subpart B. Additionally, in accordance with these regulations, the recipient organization must identify all known workplaces under its federal awards, and keep this information on file during the performance of the award.

Those recipients who are individuals must comply with the drug-free provisions set forth in Title 2 CFR Part 1536 Subpart C.

The consequences for violating this condition are detailed under Title 2 CFR Part 1536 Subpart E.

Recipients can access the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 2 Part 1536 at http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=701081165f70316effa8ebf67df73de0&rgn=div5&view=text&node=2:1.2.11.11.2&idno=2.

- 19. a. The recipient agrees to:
  - (1) Establish all subaward agreements in writing;
  - (2) Maintain primary responsibility for ensuring successful completion of the EPA -approved project (this responsibility cannot be delegated or transferred to a subrecipient);
  - (3) Ensure that any subawards comply with the standards in Section 210(a)-(d) of OMB Circular A-133 and are not used to acquire commercial goods or services for the recipient;
  - (4) Ensure that any subawards are awarded to eligible subrecipients and that proposed subaward costs are necessary, reasonable, and allocable;
  - (5) Ensure that any subawards to 501(c)(4) organizations do not involve lobbying activities;
  - (6) Monitor the performance of their recipients and ensure that they comply with all applicable regulations, statutes, and terms and conditions which flow down in the subaward;
  - (7) Obtain EPA's consent before making a subaward to a foreign or international organization, or a subaward to be performed in a foreign country; and
  - (8) Obtain approval from EPA for any new subaward work that is not outlined in the approved work plan in accordance with 40 CFR Parts 30.25 and 31.30, as applicable.
- b. Any questions about subrecipient eligibility or other issues pertaining to subawards should be addressed to the recipient's EPA Project Officer. Additional information regarding subawards may be found at http://www.epa.gov/ogd/guide/subaward-policy-part-2.pdf. Guidance for distinguishing between vendor and subrecipient relationships and ensuring compliance with Section 210(a)-(d) of OMB Circular A-133 can be found at http://www.epa.gov/ogd/guide/subawards-appendix-b.pdf and http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars/a133/a133.html.
- c. The recipient is responsible for selecting its subrecipients and , if applicable, for conducting subaward competitions.
- 20. Management fees or similar charges in excess of the direct costs and approved indirect rates are not allowable. The term "management fees or similar charges" refers to expenses added to the direct costs in order to accumulate and reserve funds for ongoing business expenses, unforeseen liabilities, or for other similar costs which are not allowable under this assistance agreement. Management fees or similar charges may not be used to improve or expand the project funded under this agreement, except to the extent authorized as a direct cost of carrying out the scope of work.
- 21. EPA's financial obligations to the recipient are limited by the amount of federal funding awarded to date as shown on line 15 in its EPA approved budget. If the recipient incurs costs in anticipation of receiving additional funds from EPA, it does so at its own risk.
- 22. 1. Trafficking in Persons.
- a. Provisions applicable to a recipient that is a private entity.
- 1. You as the recipient, your employees, subrecipients under this award, and subrecipients' employees may not-
- i. Engage in sever forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect;
  - ii. Procure a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect; or
  - iii. Use forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.
- 2. We as the Federal awarding agency may unilaterally terminate this award, without penalty, if you or a subrecipient that is a private entity
  - i. Is determined to have violated a prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term; or
  - ii. Has an employee who is determined by the agency official authorized to terminate the

award to have violated a prohibition in paragraph a .1 of this award term through conduct that is either-

- A. Associated with performance under this award; or
- B. Imputed to you or the subrecipient using the standards and due process for imputing the conduct of an individual to an organization that are provided in 2 CFR 180, "OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement))," as implemented by our Agency at 2 CFR 1532.
- b. Provision applicable to a recipient other than a private entity. We as the Federal awarding agency my unilaterally terminate this award, without penalty, if a subrecipient that is a private entity-
  - 1. Is determined to have violated an applicable prohibition in paragraph a .1 of this award term; or
- 2. Has an employee who is determined by the agency official authorized to terminate the award to have violated a applicable prohibition in paragraph a .1 of this award term through conduct that is either
  - i. Associated with performance under this award; or
- ii. Imputed to the subrecipient using the standards and due process for imputing the conduct of an individual to an organization that are provided in 2 CFR part 180, "OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)," as implemented by our agency at 2 CFR 1532.
- c. Provisions applicable to any recipient.
- 1. You must inform us immediately of any information you receive from any source alleging a violation of a prohibition in paragraph a .1 of this award term.
  - 2. Our right to terminate unilaterally that is described in paragraph a .2 or b of this section:
- i. Implements section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104 (g)), and
- ii. Is in addition to all other remedies for noncompliance that are available to us under this award.
- 3. You must include the requirements of paragraph a.1 of this award term in any subaward you make to a private entity.
- d. Definitions. For the purposes of this award term:
  - 1. "Employee" means either:
- i. An individual employed by you or a subrecipient who is engaged in the performance of the project or program under this award; or
- ii. Another person engaged in the performance of the project or program under this award and not compensated by you including, but not limited to, a volunteer or individual whose services are contributed by a third party as an in-kind contribution toward cost sharing or matching requirements.
- 2. "Forced labor" means labor obtained by any of the following methods: the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.
  - 3. "Private entity":
- i. Means any entity other than a State, local government, Indian tribe, or foreign public entity, as those terms are defined in 2 CFR 175.25
  - ii. Includes:
- A. A nonprofit organization, including any nonprofit institution of higher education, hospital, or tribal organization other than the one included in the definition of Indian tribe at 2 CFR 175.25 (b).
  - B. A for-profit organization.
- 4. "Severe forms of trafficking in persons," "commercial sex act," and 'coercion" have the meanings given at section 103 of the TVPA, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7102).
- 23. In accordance with OMB Circular A-133, which implements the Single Audit Act, the recipient hereby agrees to obtain a single audit from an independent auditor, if it expends \$500,000 or more in total Federal funds in any fiscal year. Within nine months after the end of a recipient's fiscal year or 30 days after receiving the report from the auditor, the recipient shall submit the SF-SAC and a Single Audit Report Package. The recipient MUST submit the SF-SAC and a Single Audit Report Package, using the Federal Audit Clearinghouse's Internet Data Entry System. For complete information on how to accomplish the single audit submissions, you will need to visit the Federal Audit Clearinghouse Web site: http://harvester.census.gov/fac/

#### 24. Payment Methods

a. The Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 requires that Federal payments be made by electronic funds transfer. In order to comply with the Act, a recipient must receive payments via one of two electronic methods available to them:

#### <u>Automated Standard Application for Payments (ASAP)</u>

The ASAP system is the preferred method of payment for EPA grantees. ASAP enrollment is highly encouraged for organizations that have multiple grants/cooperative agreements and for those with a frequent need to request funds. If your organization uses multiple bank accounts for EPA grants/cooperative agreements, you must enroll in ASAP. If you are interested in receiving funds electronically via ASAP, please complete the ASAP Initiate Enrollment form located at <a href="http://www.epa.gov/ocfo/finservices/forms.htm">http://www.epa.gov/ocfo/finservices/forms.htm</a> and email it to LVFC-grants@epa.gov or fax it to LVFC at 702-798-2423

Under this payment mechanism, the Recipient initiates, via ASAP, an electronic payment request which is approved or rejected based on the amount of available funds authorized by EPA in the Recipient's account. Approved funds are credited to the recipient organization at the financial institution identified on the recipient's ASAP enrollment application. Additional information concerning ASAP and enrollment can be obtained by contacting the EPA Las Vegas Finance Center, at (702) 798-2485, or by visiting <a href="https://www.fms.treas.gov/asap.">www.fms.treas.gov/asap.</a>

#### Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)

Under this payment mechanism, the EPA Las Vegas Finance Center will obtain your organization's banking information from your System for Award Management (SAM) registration. Upon completion of required Regional training, a Las Vegas Finance Center Representative will send you an email message with your EFT Control Number and payment information. Additional information concerning EFT can be obtained by contacting the EPA Las Vegas Finance Center at (702) 798-2485, or by visiting <a href="http://www.epa.gov/ocfo/finservices/payinfo.htm">http://www.epa.gov/ocfo/finservices/payinfo.htm</a>

**NOTE**: If your banking information is not correct or changes at any time prior to the end of your agreement, please update your SAM registration and notify the EPA Las Vegas Finance Center as soon as possible so the new banking information can be retrieved. This is vital to ensure proper and timely deposit of funds.

b. In accepting this assistance agreement, the recipient agrees to draw cash only as needed for its disbursement. Failure on the part of the recipient to comply with this condition may cause the undisbursed portions of the assistance agreement to be revoked and financing method changed to a reimbursable basis.

## **Programmatic Conditions**

- 1. The recipient will collaborate with the EPA Office of Enforcement & Compliance Assurance Project Officer on the selection of eLearning consultants.
- 2. The recipient will collaborate with the EPA Office of Enforcement & Compliance Assurance Project Officer on the development of eLearning courses.
- 3. The recipient will collaborate with the EPA Office of Enforcement & Compliance Assurance Project Officer on outreach to state, local, and tribal entities.

- 4. **Sufficient Progress ULO**: EPA may terminate the assistance agreement for failure of the recipient to make sufficient progress so as to reasonably ensure completion of the project within the project period, including any extensions. EPA will measure sufficient progress by examining the performance required under the workplan in conjunction with the milestone schedule, the time remaining for performance within the project period, and/or the availability of funds necessary to complete the project.
- 5. **Minimum Matching Share Requirement**: **Minimum Matching Share Requirement**This award and the resulting federal funding share of **89.00%** as shown under "Notice of Award" above is based on estimated costs requested in the recipient's application dated 06/08/2012. While actual total costs may differ than those estimates, the recipient is required to provide no less than **11.00%** of the final total allowable program/project costs (outlays). EPA's participation shall not exceed the total amount of federal funds awarded or the statutory limitation of **89.00%**.
- 6. **Light Refreshments and Meals:** Unless the event(s) and all of its components (i.e., receptions, banquets and other activities that take place after normal business hours) are described in the approved workplan, the recipient agrees to obtain prior approval from EPA for the use of grant funds for light refreshments and/or meals served at meetings, conferences, training workshops, and outreach activities (events). The recipient must send requests for approval to the EPA Project Officer and include:
  - (1) An estimated budget and description for the light refreshments, meals, and/or beverages to be served at the event(s);
  - (2) A description of the purpose, agenda, location, length and timing for the event.
  - (3) An estimated number of participants in the event and a description of their roles.

Recipients may address questions about whether costs for light refreshments, and meals for events are allowable to the recipient's EPA Project Officer. However, the Agency Award Official or Grant Management Officer will make final determinations on allowability. Agency policy prohibits the use of EPA funds for receptions, banquets and similar activities that take place after normal business hours unless the recipient has provided a justification that has been expressly approved by EPA's Award Official or Grants Management Officer.

Note: U.S. General Services Administration regulations define light refreshments for morning, afternoon or evening breaks to include, but not be limited to, coffee, tea, milk, juice, soft drinks, donuts, bagels, fruit, pretzels, cookies, chips, or muffins. (41 CFR 301-74.11)

#### 7. Electronic and Information Technology Accessibility:

Recipients and subrecipients are subject to the program accessibility provisions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, codified in 40 CFR Part 7, which includes an obligation to provide individuals with disabilities reasonable accommodations and an equal and effective opportunity to benefit from or participate in a program, including those offered through electronic and information technology ("EIT"). In compliance with Section 504, EIT systems or products funded by this award must be designed to meet the diverse needs of users (e.g., U.S. public, recipient personnel) without barriers or diminished function or quality. Systems shall include usability features or functions that accommodate the needs of persons with

disabilities, including those who use assistive technology. At this time, the EPA will consider a recipient's websites, interactive tools, and other EIT as being in compliance with Section 504 if such technologies meet standards established under Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, codified at 36 CFR Part 1194. While Section 508 does not apply directly to grant recipients, we encourage recipients to follow either the 508 guidelines or other comparable guidelines that concern accessibility to EIT for individuals with disabilities. Recipients may wish to consult the latest Section 508 guidelines issued by the US Access Board or W3C's Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.0(see http://www.access-board.gov/sec508/guide/index.htm).